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Sir:

With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of an application for patent in the name(s) of:

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entitled:

EDITING SYSTEM, EDITING METHOD, CLIP MANAGEMENT DEVICE, AND CLIP MANAGEMENT METHOD

X Continuing Application

X Divisional Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Continuation of prior application serial no. 09/068,866, filed October 23, 1998, which is a 371 of PCT/JP97/03343, filed 19 September 1997.

[Note: If priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 involves a series of respectively copending applications, then in this amendment identify each and its relationship to its immediate

X The prior application is assigned of record to SONY CORPORATION.

The following are enclosed:

- X Specification (117 pages)
- X 27 Sheet(s) of Drawings
- X 11 Claim(s) (including 11 independent claim(s))
- __ This application contains a multiple dependent claim
- X Our check for \$1,350.00 , calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application (less any claims canceled herein) as amended by any enclosed preliminary amendment as follows:

Basic Fee, \$710.00 (\$355.00) 710.00 Number of Claims in excess of 20 at \$18.00 (\$9.00) each: -0-Number of Independent Claims in excess of 3 at \$80.00 (\$40.00) each: 8 640.00 Multiple Dependent Claim Fee at \$270.00 (\$135.00) Total Filing Fee

___ This application is being filed within the month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor in the prior application. This is a petition to request a -month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.

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X Oath or Declaration and Power of Attorney
 New __ signed __ unsigned
 X Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d))

Deletion of Inventors

Signed Statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))

Power of Attorney or Correspondence Address Change

Y Power of attorney and/or correspondence address was changed during prosecution of the prior application. The new power of attorney is to <u>William S. Frommer, Reg. No. 25,506</u>. The new correspondence address is:

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- X Incorporation by Reference (for continuation or divisional application)
 The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- X A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
- X Cancel in this application original claims 1-91 and 94-133 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- X New formal drawings are enclosed.
- X Certified copy of each foreign priority application on which the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 is based was filed in prior U.S. application serial no. 09/068,866, filed October 23, 1998. A list of said foreign priority application(s) is provided below. Acknowledgement thereof is requested.

Application No. Filed In

8-249381 20 September 1996 Japan

Please charge any additional fees required for the filing of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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